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## COMMITTEES ORGANIZE FOR CLEAN-UP

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rat control project is envisioned as a January - March project, with county clean-up, purchase of rat-proof garbage cans, poisoning of rats and other measures.

The program will develop during December with all organizational leaders asked to report on Wednesday, January 5 on plans for educational and publicity needs and a plan for door-to-door publicity to rid the county of rats.

Co-ordinated baiting of rats with poisons and rat traps is scheduled for February 11 – February 29. Additional baiting and clean-up work is scheduled for March at dumps, incinerators, lagoon, sewage treating plant, etc.

Both the town of Appomattox and the county are being asked to contribute toward the cost of educational materials and rat bait material. Any funds not used will be returned to the governing bodies.

J. A. Smith, coordinator, is circulating a list of committees appointed to implement the rat control program: Appomattox Town Committee chairman is C. S. Booth with duties of inspection, enforcement, service, bait placement in sewers.

Local Businesses' committee chairman is M. L. Webb with duties to assist merchants in preparing a display of garbage cans, traps, commercial baits.

Poison Preparation is under the direction of T. E. Conner with duties of packaging, distributing, and collecting for poison concentrate.

Treasurer is Mrs. DeVonne Godsey who will write checks and maintain an account for the organization.

Professional assistance is being offered by Glenn Dudderar, extension wildlife specialist. His duties will include the baiting of dumps, sewage treatment plants, lagoons and incinerators. Duderar was present at the Tuesday organizational meeting.

Three business places were offering the bait concentrate: Coleman and Sons, Appomattox Farmers Supply, town of Appomattox and Tolley's Fertilizer Company, Pamplin.

Organizations may obtain program materials from the County Extension office, including educational leaflets and sufficient bait materials for a demonstration on how to prepare the bait.

The following films have been ordered and will be available during January: "Rural Rat Control" – black and white (16 minutes); "The Norway Rat – Habits and Characteristics" – black and white (10 minutes); "The Rat Problem" – black and white (16 minutes). There is also a flannelgraph presentation available – display and script – a general review of rat control.

## PUPILS & FRIENDS REMEMBERED FORMER TEACHER

Miss Flora Belle Williams, creator of the hand-crocheted afghan which was donated to the Rescue Squad for a fund-raising effort, has expressed great pleasure that the drawing for the afghan has produced more than $500 for the Appomattox County Rescue Squad.

She says that many former pupils and lots of other friends helped to put the drive across. For the Rescue Squad, itself, any time of year is a good time to help the men and women of the Squad who help county people in emergency situations every day of every year.

## Little League Basketball Practice - Dec. 11

Practice for the Little League Basketball players will begin on Saturday morning, Dec. 11 at 9:00 a.m. Boys 8 through 11 should report to the High School gym. Boys 12 and 13 should report to the Intermediate School gym.

## The Pastor Speaks

**Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!**

L.k. 2:13-14

Two hundred and fifty years ago Charles Wesley was born. He was the brotherof John Wesley, the famous Methodist preacher. He wrote six thousand poems. Ten times as many as immortal Isaac Watts. Even today you can scarcely open a hymnal without coming face to face with some of Wesleys gems: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," "O For A Thousand Tongues!", "Jesus Lover of My Soul". This last the greatest in the English language.

Mr. Wesley wrote many hymns for the various seasons such as Easter, Christmas, and New Years. A Christmas program would hardly be complete without this song, "Hark! The Hearld Angels Sing, Glory to the new-born King; Peace on earth and mercy mild; God and sinners reconciled."

Why has this hymn prevailed we might ask, when most are born for but a day. Because it is heard as an undying eternal truth. It sings of a new-born King in Peace. Peace and joy are matters of the heart. The spirit, the inner life, not something outside. Even if ye have little of this worlds goods you may possess the peace which "passeth all understanding". Blessed are the poor -- theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven." "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

Joy is that happy affection of the soul which arises from the possession of Christ. It springs from a heart that is fixed on something eternal and beyond itself. The joy of earth is short and fleeting. That which comes from God is permanent and satisfying. True joy springs from a sence of pardoned sin and union with Christ. "God and sinners Reconciled."

True joy is pure, abiding, unspeakable, and eternal. It is the result of personal acquaintance with God and obedience to his will.

What Mr. Wesley tells us in his beautiful hymn is true. "We must possess the God of Peace if we would possess the peace of God." This is the heart of the Christmas message. Christ Jesus the new-born King was sent into the worl that through him the world might have salvation. Thus be reconciled to God. II Cor. 6:20

Rev. Earnie W. Lucas, pastor
Bible Baptist Church
Appomattox, Va. 24522

## THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

### A GOD WHO ACTS!

**Lesson for December 12, 1971**

Background Scripture: Luke 1: 5-80; 2:25-35

Have you ever been so excited about something that you've felt you just had to sing about it?

That's the way the writer of Luke apparently felt about the birth of Jesus Christ. In the first two chapters of this gospel he uses four stirring hymns to express both the depth of meaning and feeling stirred by these events. First, there is Mary's beautiful and humble response to being the angelic announcement that she will be the mother of Christ (Luke 1:46-55). We call this hymn the "Magnificat" ("my soul magnifies the Lord . . ."). "Mine Eyes Have Seen . . ."

Then in Luke 1:68-79 there is Zacharias' ecstatic response to the revelation that his newborn son, John (the Baptist), will be the prophetic forerunner of the Messiah. Because it begins with the word, "Blessed," it is known as the Benedictus.

The announcement to the shepherds of the birth of Jesus is also a hymn, this time by an angelic multitude (Luke 2:14):

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among men
with whom he is pleased!

The fourth of these great lyrical testimonies comes shortly after the birth of Jesus when he is brought to Jerusalem for the rite of presentation in the temple, (2:30-32). Here an aged and faithful Jew realizes that this infant is the answer to Israel's hopes. His life is fulfilled: "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation . . ." This ecstatic testimony is often known as the "Nunc Dimittis," ("Now lettest . . .")

Action Verbs

If you examine each of these songs closely, you will see, however, that they are not speculative in nature. There are no speculative, philosophical ideas about who or what God is. Rather, they are recountings of what God has done and is doing! These are not passive verbs, but action verbs. They speak of God's activity in his world. For example, in Zacharias' "Benedictus," (1:68-79): God has "visited," "redeemed," "raised," "spoke," "to per-

## No Gypsy Moths In Traps Here

There were no positive traps in Appomattox county this year of the Gypsy moth, a troublesome insect which defoliates hardwoods, which is the object of a multi-state effort to "seek and destroy."

Early in the summer small cone-like traps were hung in trees in Appomattox county and other surrounding counties by the Va. Division of Forestry and others.

Appomattox county forester Warren Taylor said that one Gypsy moth was trapped in Campbell County and others were trapped along the coast. Since travel trailers, campers and the like are possibly the major carriers of the moth from the northern-infested states to the south, special attention has been paid to visitor centers and recreation areas.

Forester Taylor says that he is happy that Appomattox county has thus far seemingly escaped the travels of the Gypsy moth. The moths can kill hardwoods and pines and if they infiltrate this area could be a decided threat to trees.

**How much gasoline does a Virginia baby use?**

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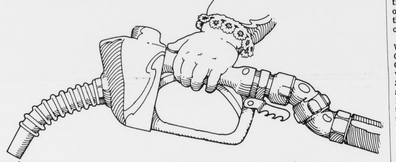

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...Burrus, Pastor
... - 10:00 a. m.
... - Sue Wheeler
...p. m.
...Fellowship
...p. m.
...Chor - 7:45 p. m.

**...Y BAPTIST**
...h, Lee, Pastor
...Virginia
...VICES
...ool - 9:45 a.m.
...ship - 11 a.m.
...m - 6:30 p.m.
...ship - 7:30 p.m.
...ing - 7:30 p.m.

**...CE BAPTIST**
...- 10 a.m.
...m.-2nd Sunday
...h Sunday

**...TECOSTAL**
...s Church
...- 10 a.m.
...ing - 11 a.m.
...- 6:30 p.m.
...service-7:30 p.m.
...d Prayer Meet-...

**...SPRINGS**
...- 10 a.m.
...d Sunday
...ed Sunday

**...TED METHODIST**
...h.
...per, Minister
...Franklin, Lay As-

...Sundays:
...ship - 9:45 a.m.
...- 11 a.m.
...:
...ool - 10 a.m.
...ship - 11 a.m.
...ing - 11 a.m.
...Meeting - 7:30 p.

**...BAPTIST CHURCH**
...Lanning, Pastor
...SERVICES
...ool – 10 a.m.
...ship – 11 a.m.
...y – 11 a.m.

**...United Methodist**
...rginia
...per, Minister
...Franklin, Lay As-

...ool – 10 a.m.
...ship – 11 a.m.
...ing – 6:45 p.m.
...per Meeting at par-...

**...PE BAPTIST**
...R. Holliday, Pastor
...SERVICES
...ool-9:30 a.m.
...ship - 11 a.m.
...Sunday -
...Friends and Girls in ...-6:30 p.m.
...Sunday -
...and Junior Choirs

...PRAYER - Each Wed-...ing at 7:30 p.m.

**RED OAK BAPTIST**
G. Edward Hughes, Pastor
Sunday School – 9:45 a.m.
Robert Lucado –Director
Training Union –6:30 p.m.
Berkley Cabiness –Director
First & Third Sunday:
Sunday School –9:45 a.m.
Preaching –10:55 – a.m.
Training Union – 6:30 p.m.
Second & Fourth Sunday
Sunday School –9:45 a.m.
Training Union –6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship – 7:30 p.m.
Fifth Sunday
Sunday School –9:45 a.m.
Training Union –6:30 p.m.
No Preaching
Mid-week Prayer Service – Wednesday –7:30 p.m.
Circle Meeting – Dec. 7
Prayer Meeting – 7:30 p.m., Dec. 8
Christmas Program – Dec. 12 – 7:30 p.m.
Mission Study –
"New Drums Over Africia" at Red Oak Baptist Church taught by Nancy McAden, Journeyman Nurse, Dec. 14

**BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Youth Meeting - 6:45 p.m.
Choir Practice - 7 p.m.
Evening Service - 7:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY –
Prayer Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

**PAMPLIN UNITED METHODIST CHARGE**
The Rev. John Hoke, Minister
Pamplin, Va. Phone 248-6436
PAMPLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH –
First Sunday –
Sunday School –10 a.m.
Morning Worship –11 a.m.
2nd Sunday:
Sunday School – 10 a.m.
3rd Sunday –
Morning Worship –9:45 a.m.
Sunday School –11 a.m.
4th Sunday–
Sunday School –10 a.m.
CENTENARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Madisonville, Va. –
1st Sunday –
Morning Worship –9:45 a.m
Sunday School – 11 a.m.
2nd Sunday –
Sunday School – 10 a.m.
3rd Sunday –
Sunday School –10 a.m.
Morning Worship –11 a.m.
4th Sunday –
Sunday School –10 a.m.
PINEY RIDGE METHODIST
Route 1, Pamplin, Va.
1st Sunday –
Sunday School –10 a.m.
2nd Sunday –
Morning Worship – 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School – 11 a.m.
3rd Sunday –
Sunday School –10 a.m.
4th Sunday –
Sunday School – 10 a.m.
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.
EVERGREEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH –
1st Sunday –
Sunday School – 10 a.m.
2nd Sunday –
Sunday School – 10 a.m.
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.

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John P. Campbell, Pastor
Services:
Sunday 9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
6:00 Youth Choir Practice
7:00 Church Training Hour
WEDNESDAY
7:00 Prayer Meeting:
8:00 Choir Practice

**APPOMATTOX UNITED METHODIST CHARGE**
Johnnie Elliott, Minister
Rt. 4, Box 221, Appomattox, Va.
Phone 352-7382
BETHEL UNITED METHODIST
Lay Leader –Russell Moore
Church School Supt – Wilson Garrett
2nd and 4th Sundays –
Morning Worship –10 a.m.
Church School(Every Sunday– 11 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sundays
U.M.Y.F. meets at the church at 7 p.m.
W.S.C.S. – meets the Tuesday after the 2nd Sunday –7:30 p.m.
MT. COMFORT UNITED METHODIST –
Lay Leader – Lewis Moore
Church School Supt. – O. W. Martin, Jr.
1st and 3rd Sunday –
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.
Church School (Each Sunday)– 10 a.m.
U.M.Y.F. – Meets each Sunday – 7 p.m.
W.S.C.S – Meets Thurs. after the 1st Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST
Charge Lay Leader – David Martin
Church School Supt.– R. B. Martin
1st Sunday:
Morning Worship –10 a.m.
Church School – 11 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sunday –
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.
Church School – a.m.
3rd and 5th Sundays
Church School –10 a.m.
U.M.Y.F. – meets every Sunday at 7 p.m.
W.S.C.S. – Meets Thursday after the 2nd Sunday –7:30 p.m.
W.S.C.-Meets 1st Monday each month at 7:30 p.m.

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Supt. – Brod Pack
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.
Guest Speaker
Choir Director –Mrs. Karen Gibson
Special Music – Choir
ACTIVITIES:
Dec. 7 – 3 p.m. –Circle I Women of the Church meet with Mrs. Lucy Pack
Dec. 8 and 10 –7:30 p.m. –Choir Rehearsal
Dec. 19 – Family Night
Cover Dish Supper –6:30 p.m.
Cantata By Choir – 8 p.m.

## First Baptist Church Notice

Little six year old Norman Walker, will render the Service Sunday, December 12, 1971 at 2:30 p.m.

He will be assisted by Rev. Howard Flood and the Holy Gospel Singers of Pamplin.

Come worship with us.

The Youth Choir will meet this Thursday at 4:30 p.m. instead of Wednesday. All members are asked to be present and on time for Christmas program practice.

## Springfield Baptist

There will be a special song service given at Springfield Baptist Church, Appomattox Co. Virginia, Dec. 12, 1971 at 6 p.m. Sponsored by Miss Maude Goff, for the benefit of the church.

The public is invited to attend.

## Mt. Airy Baptist

The Brotherhood Club of the Mt. Airy Baptist Church is having a program on the second Sunday in December at 3 p.m. Member of the Men Club, of local churches are invited to attend. The Johnson Family of Lynchburg will be the special guest.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. Jonnie Murray, Pastor
Appomattox, Virginia
Church School – 9:45
J. A. Hamlet – Supt.
Worship – 2nd and 4th Sunday 11:00 A.M.
Youth Choir – rehearsal Thursday 4:30 p.m.

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